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"I am very disappointed with the Feds settlement. Microsoft"

"Allowing Microsoft to to donate computers to schools instead of paying money further upsets the balance of commerce (the actual spending of money) and passively creates an advantage to Microsoft"

"It seems to me that Microsoft has indulged in not only anti-trust violations but racketeering as well."

"Microsoft should not be reward (which this slap on the wrist dose) for it's competitive practices, it's crafted monopoly is a bitter fruit that I as a computer user am forced to consume"

"The proposed penalty for Microsoft's violations is entirely prospective"

"The predictability of the penalty to effect a sufficient diminishment of Microsoft's anticompetitive behavior is completely inadequate, including being overly complex and to vague, especially in light of published comments by Microsoft CEO Steve Balmer" after Microsoft's conviction that he does not even know what a monopoly is."

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